



# FORESTRY NEWS



## *Farewell To A Great Friend!*

Faith Beatty developed the poignant poster shown here of former BIA Forest Development Forester Chris Lyle for his memorial service held on March 13, 2015. Friends and colleagues from all over the Southwest attended the service including a former BIA

Chief Forester (Arch Wells), former Regional Forester (John Philbin), former Forest Manager (Bud Mast), former Supervisory Foresters (Maury Williams, Dave Moreland, Larry Laird) and two former FMOs (Ken Butler and George Leech). So many

tribal members who had worked with Chris and whose lives he touched were also in attendance. It was inspiring to see just how many people were there who really considered Chris a great friend, mentor, and role model. At least four fire Incident Commanders who Chris worked with also attended, including

Jeff Whitney, the current State Forester for Arizona. Jeff shared some fond memories of Chris. As most know, Chris worked for the Fort Apache Agency from 1974-2006 and served many years on fire teams as a Type 1 Plans Chief. His impact is far reaching and he will not be forgotten.



## In Loving Memory Of Chris Lyle

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Type 1 Plans Chief  
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